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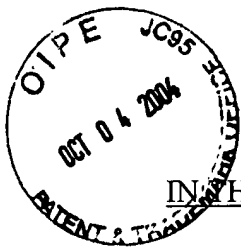
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Yoshinobu Tsukamoto et al. : Date: September 29, 2004
Serial No. 10/686,207 : Group Art Unit: 2837
Filing Date: October 14, 2003 : Examiner: A. Salata

Title: BRAILLE INFORMATION NOTIFICATION DEVICE

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Dear Sir:

REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND ENTRY OF PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In response to the office action mailed July 7, 2004, having a shortened period of response set to expire October 7, 2004, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following requests:

1. Applicants respectfully request entry of the Preliminary Amendment filed by Applicants concurrently with the captioned divisional application.
2. Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the restriction requirement mailed May 21, 2004 in the captioned application. Applicants submit that this requirement was improperly issued as claims 1 and 2, drawn to Invention I had been previously canceled in the Preliminary Amendment filed by Applicants concurrently with the captioned application.

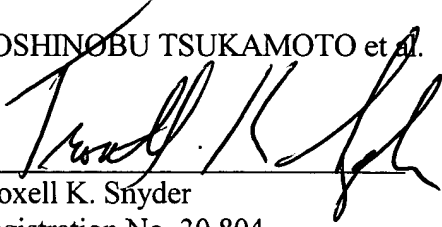
Applicants' attorney respectfully apologizes for any inconvenience or misunderstanding which may have arisen due to the inadvertent submittal of a Response to Restriction Requirement mailed at the direction of Applicants' attorney on June 9, 2004, in response to the above-mentioned restriction requirement.

Applicants have enclosed, for the Examiner's convenience, a copy of said Preliminary Amendment, which appears in the Image File Wrapper in the online PAIR system for the captioned application.

In the event there are any questions, or if Applicants' attorney can in any way expedite or assist in resolving this matter, a telephone interview is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin at page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning at page 3 of this paper.

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